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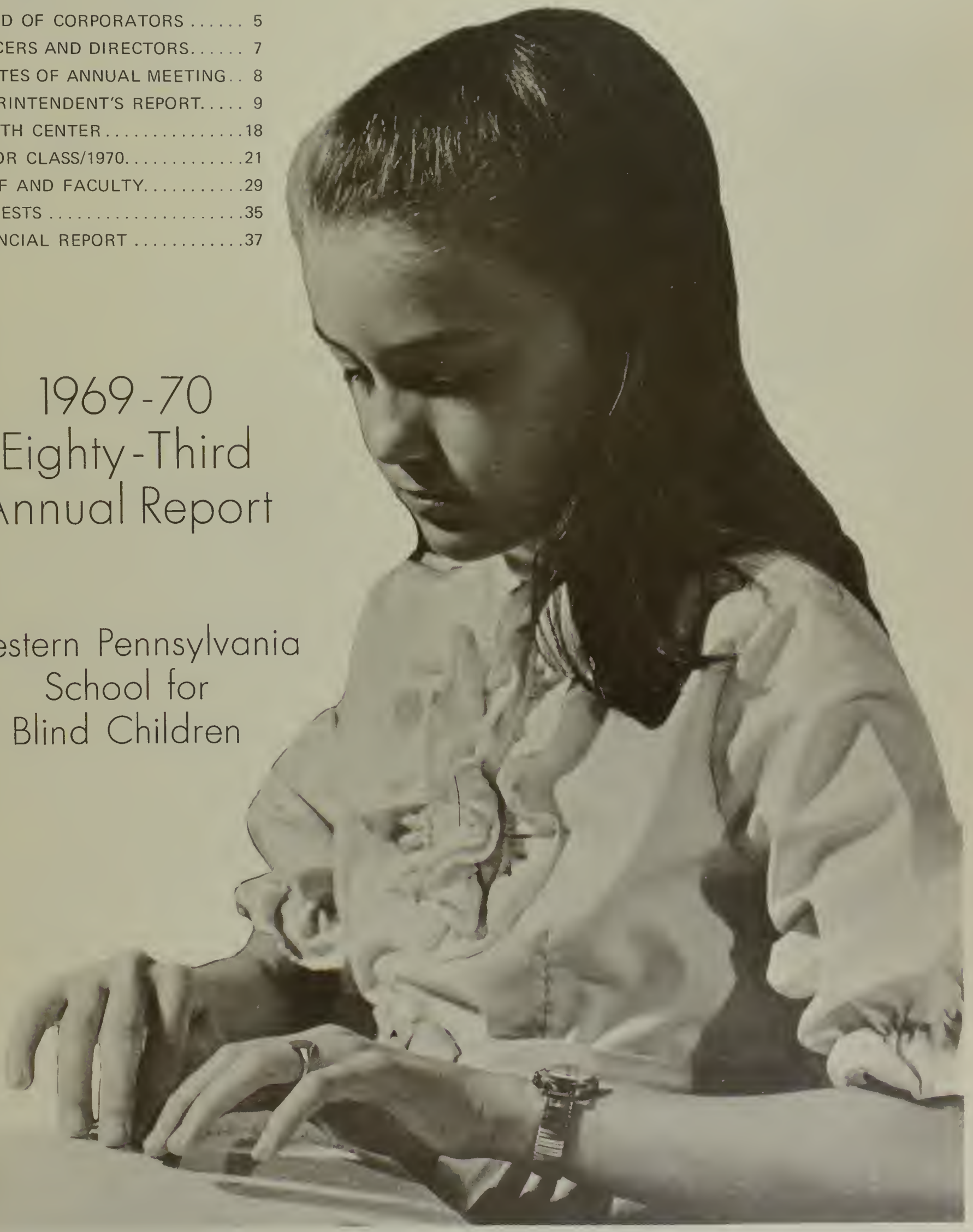


Mr. Wilfrid Murtland has served blind children unselfishly for nearly 25 years as President of the Board of the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children. His devotion, guidance, and wise counsel have contributed greatly to making the school one of the finest schools serving blind children in the country. The faculty, staff, and students salute him at the time of his retirement, and wish him well-earned happiness and good health.

Report of the Board of Directors

To the Board of Corporators:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I welcome you to our 83rd Annual Meeting of the Board of Corporators of the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children. This past year has been a significant one for your Board, and I am sure you will be pleased to hear about the highlights of our busy year.

Two weeks ago we graduated 23 young men and women — the largest senior class in the history of our school. All of our academic students are enrolled in area colleges and universities for the fall, three others are enrolled in special vocational training courses leading to employment security, and six young ladies graduating from the business education course are in the midst of finding clerical jobs. Since it is our ultimate goal to prepare our children for independence in the sighted world, we take particular pride in these recent achievements of our newest alumni.

A year ago at this time, we reported to you on the importance of reinforcing our services for visually impaired youngsters with concomitant disabilities. Last summer, in order to determine how best to meet these special needs, the school conducted a two-week pilot study involving children with multiple handicaps. This project was structured to evaluate the needs of each child in order to develop a gradually evolving program. Findings from the two weeks of extensive medical and psycho-social evaluation by Children's Hospital Developmental Clinic and educational assessments made by the school were implemented last fall in a year-round program of individually prescribed instruction. Funding for this program was made possible through a grant from the Federal government. We are happy to report that it is our intention to further develop this school-year program in an attempt to provide the finest possible education for these less fortunate youngsters. In accepting this challenge with its many complexities, we recognize the need for further modification of our instructional approach and increased medical and psycho-social services from community-related agencies. We are hopeful that we can continue to rely on federal grants for this longitudinal study which has national significance.

To comply with fire-protection recommendations made recently by the insurer of the school plant, we employed the services of Mr. William E. Hoover, Jr., A.I.A. Mr. Hoover surveyed the entire school and drew up plans to update the overall safety features. For years Mr. Hoover has shared his time and talent with us in the form of a contribution to the school, and we are indebted to him for his professional services. We are now in the midst of following his latest recommendations which call for exit lights, an emergency lighting system with an emergency power plant, and a magnetic door release system.

In an effort to keep a competitive salary schedule and, therefore, maintain and secure the highest caliber personnel, your Board approved an interim salary increase this past January in addition to the usual increases given annually.

Your school hosted the Annual Music Festival this April, an event which brought together youngsters from various schools serving the blind in the eastern United States. To prepare for this, major emphasis was given to our music department. New band instruments were purchased from funds received from the Downtown Lions Club and major remodeling and decorating of the music studio were made possible by restricted contributions for this purpose.

The chapel and entire music annex were painted to improve the appearance and maintain the area properly. In addition, we renovated the bowling alley and installed acoustical material in both the bowling alley and the girls' gym. Our principal's office was remodeled and new furniture was added to accommodate Miss Esch's new secretary.

A replacement of a major gas pipeline running between the Instruction Building and the Lower School is to be noted as a significant physical improvement during the past year. We also have a beautiful planting on the front campus of pines and crabtrees given to us in commemoration of the Kappa Alpha Theta Centennial. This is a welcome addition to the campus.

For the sake of emphasis I wish to report that our Main School Building was completed in 1894, and has had constant maintenance and the necessary refurbishing to insure its usefulness for several more years. However, we cannot expect it to last forever, and with that thought in mind, your Board has purchased five residential properties contiguous to the school on Bayard and Bigelow Boulevard. Aside from Dr. Kloss's residence, these properties have been purchased since 1965 and include two purchases which your Board made this past year.

It is with deep sorrow that we record the death this past year of Robert H. McClintic, past Director and a valuable friend. His dedication and warm guidance during 24 years of service contributed greatly to our school.

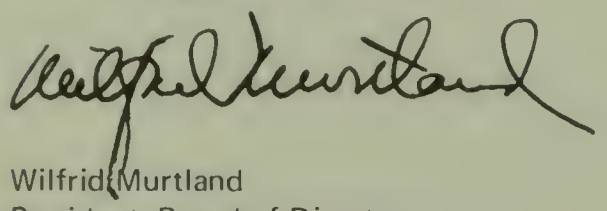
I take this opportunity to record a great debt of gratitude to Dr. Murray F. McCaslin in this year of his retirement as the school's Ophthalmologist. He has served us unselfishly for nearly 17 years, and it is with a sense of loss that we accept his resignation. Your Board has contracted the services of Dr. David A. Hiles, who specializes in pediatric ophthalmology and is head of the Ophthalmology Department at Children's Hospital. We are most fortunate in having found this brilliant young man to fill this critical position on our medical staff. We also wish to extend our deepest appreciation to the other fine gentlemen who have given so unselfishly of their time to guard our youngsters' health — Drs. Gillespie, Levine, Ferguson, Greer; and to Children's Hospital, Eye & Ear Hospital, Falk Clinic, Salk Clinic and the Skin & Cancer Foundation.

It is with deep regret that we record the resignation of Mr. Frederick G. Blackburn as Treasurer of the Board of Directors. Mr. Blackburn has given to our organization 34 years of unselfish service. His sound advice and counsel has contributed greatly to the financial security of the school. Fortunately, Mr. Blackburn has decided to stay with us as a director, and thus, we are assured of his continued wise counsel.

I wish to thank Dr. Kloss and the entire staff of the school for their tireless efforts and devotion to meet the ever-increasing challenges of educating blind children, and my personal gratitude is extended to my colleagues of the Board for their capable assistance and warm, personal interest.

After due consideration, I feel obligated to tender my resignation as President of this Board. I have held this position for 24 years, and have received immeasureable gratification and personal reward in working with the fine men who have contributed so greatly to the growth and development of our school. This decision was made in the knowledge that an energetic and very able young man would accept the responsibilities that govern the futures of all blind youngsters of western Pennsylvania. I am extremely pleased to announce that that young man is Peter Denby, who has been chosen unanimously by your Board. Mr. Denby has graciously accepted this challenge, and I am confident he will serve our school well and for many years to come.

Respectfully submitted,



Wilfrid Murtland
President, Board of Directors

Board of Corporators 1969-70

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James M. Arensberg
George N. Beckwith
James S. Beckwith, III
Paul G. Benedum
Mrs. John Berdan
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Mrs. Frederick G. Blackburn
Mrs. James M. Bovard
Ernest U. Buckman
Henry Chalfant, Jr.
Mrs. Harvey Childs
J. Mabon Childs
George L. Craig, Jr.
Peter Denby
George S. Ebbert, Jr.
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Sigo Falk
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Murray F. McCaslin, M.D.
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U. Grant Miller
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William R. Oliver
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John F. Walton, Jr.
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President

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2nd Vice President

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Secretary

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John H. Ricketson

Frank Brooks Robinson

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Wilfrid Murtland, *Chairman*
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Peter Denby
D. D. Lessenberry
Putnam B. McDowell
John H. Ricketson
W. A. Turner

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Frederick G. Blackburn, *Chairman*
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Leonard S. Mudge
John F. Walton, Jr.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE
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Leonard S. Mudge, *Chairman*
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W. A. Turner
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GROUNDS COMMITTEE
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Paul G. Benedum
Frank Brooks Robinson

DECORATING COMMITTEE
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Mrs. James M. Bovard
Mrs. John H. Ricketson

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Putnam B. McDowell, *Co-Chairman*
Leonard C. Staisey, *Co-Chairman*
George N. Beckwith
Frederick G. Blackburn
William H. Hanley
John H. Ricketson
Arthur M. Scully, Jr.

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE
Frederick H. Blackburn, *Chairman*
George N. Beckwith
D. D. Lessenberry
Putnam B. McDowell

FOOD COMMITTEE
John M. Stewart, *Chairman*
J. Mabon Childs
William H. Hanley

Paul G. Benedum

J. Mabon Childs

Peter Denby

William H. Hanley

Arthur M. Scully, Jr.

John M. Stewart

John F. Walton, Jr.

Howard G. Womsley

Officers and Directors 1969-70

DIRECTORS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE IN 1971

D. D. Lessenberry
Putnam B. McDowell
John H. Ricketson
Arthur M. Scully, Jr.
W. A. Turner
Howard G. Womsley

DIRECTORS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE IN 1972

Paul G. Benedum
Frederick G. Blackburn
J. Mabon Childs
William H. Hanley
John F. Walton, Jr.

DIRECTORS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE IN 1973

George N. Beckwith
Peter Denby
Leonard S. Mudge
Wilfrid Murtland
Frank Brooks Robinson
John M. Stewart

Minutes of the Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Board of Corporators of the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children was held at the school on Monday afternoon, June 15, 1970, at four o'clock.

President Wilfrid Murtland presided and appointed Mrs. Dorothy Price secretary of the meeting.

The secretary reported a sufficient number of Corporators present in person or by proxy to constitute a quorum. Those present in person were: Marcus Aaron, II, George N. Beckwith, James S. Beckwith, III, Mrs. James M. Bovard, Sigo Falk, William H. Hanley, Dr. D. D. Lessenberry, Wilfrid Murtland, Mrs. Edward Pitcairn, Frank Brooks Robinson, Dr. Irving L. Stutz, and Howard G. Womsley. Those present by proxy were: Mrs. John Berdan, Frederick G. Blackburn, Ernest U. Buckman, Henry Chalfant, Jr., Mrs. Harvey Childs, J. Mabon Childs, George L. Craig, Jr., Peter Denby, George S. Ebbert, Jr., Mrs. George D. Edwards, Robert D. Ferguson, Mrs. George R. Gibbons, George D. Lockhart, Watson C. Marshall, Mrs. Cordelia Scaife May, Dr. Murray F. McCaslin, Howard H. McClintic, Jr., Putnam B. McDowell, U. Grant Miller, Raymond F. Moreland, Lawrence N. Murray, Cleveland D. Rea, Alexander P. Reed, Robert M. Repp, Jr., John H. Ricketson, Mrs. John H. Ricketson, Mrs. Gretchen V. Schoonmaker, Arthur M. Scully, Jr., Charles L. Snowden, Jr., Mrs. Charles L. Snowden, Jr., Leonard C. Staisey, John M. Stewart, Mrs. C. Zook Sutton, W. A. Turner, James M. Walton, and Mrs. William K. Whiteford.

On motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the 1969 meeting as printed in the annual report were approved.

The report of the Board of Directors was read by President Wilfrid Murtland, approved, and ordered printed in the annual report.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Mr. Frederick G. Blackburn, Howard G. Womsley read the financial report which was approved and ordered printed in the annual report together with the auditor's certificate.

With the assistance of Administrative Committee members, the Superintendent submitted his report for 1969-70.

On motion duly made and seconded the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that Sections 1 and 2 of Article III of the By-Laws of the corporation be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. The business and property of the corporation shall be conducted and managed by a Board of Directors which, unless changed by amendment of these By-Laws shall be nineteen in number and which shall not be less than seven in number. The directors to be elected each year, as hereinafter provided, shall be chosen by the members of the corporation at their annual meeting and shall hold their offices until their successors are respectively elected and have qualified. Section 2. The directors shall be divided into three classes. Six of the directors shall be elected for a term of one year, six for a term of two years, and seven for a term of three years. At all ensuing annual elections of directors the number of directors necessary to fill the vacancies of those whose terms of office shall then expire shall be elected for a term of three years so that only six directors, and every third year seven directors, (plus any vacancies to be filled by reason of death, resignation, removal or other cause) shall be elected each year and all directors shall hold office for a term of three years.

The terms of office of Director George N. Beckwith, Peter Denby, Leonard S. Mudge, Wilfrid Murtland, Frank Brooks Robinson, and John M. Stewart expired at this time and, on motion duly made and seconded, these directors were re-elected for three-year terms. In addition Marcus Aaron, II and Frederick H. Donner were elected to serve as members of the Board of Directors and Frank M. Gring was elected to serve as a member of the Board of Corporators.

Regretfully the resignation of Corporator Philip C. Wright was accepted.

Mr. Murtland announced that Peter Denby would be replacing him as President of the Board of Directors and Howard G. Womsley would be replacing Frederick G. Blackburn as Treasurer.

It was resolved at the January meeting of the Board of Directors that the following tribute to Robert H. McClintic be adopted:

"During Robert H. McClintic's long association with the school serving continuously as a director for 24 years, he contributed unselfishly of himself to the growth and development of the school and was one of those most responsible for its established position today.

"In the death of Bob McClintic, the school and the City of Pittsburgh have suffered the loss of a leader and a friend. We hereby express ourselves individually and on behalf of those to whom he gave his constant devotion our deepest respect for him and grief in his death."

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy W. Price
Acting Secretary

Superintendent's Report

To the Board of Corporators:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The past school year has been one of many accomplishments, of new approaches and new insights. In the year when man has landed on the moon, and the social complexities "down here" have reached new peaks, we at the school have moved steadily forward, entering the 70's with increased awareness and renewed effectiveness.

One of the greatest challenges facing educators of the handicapped today is how to most effectively educate the large numbers of children with multiply-handicapping disabilities. This is a national problem of great significance and is reflected by an increase in school programs and community efforts at all levels. Because of the multipy-handicapping condition of these children, it is difficult to identify and assess the disabilities as they relate to specialized teaching and remediation. It became apparent to us last year that we needed a medical-educational team approach, uniting medical diagnoses with learning and behavior assessments in order to arrive at the best possible educational prescription for each child. We contracted the services of Children's Hospital Developmental Clinic to make extensive medical as well as psycho-social assessments of 16 children as part of a two-week pilot project. Findings from this project were implemented into a year-long program for 21 youngsters which included individually prescribed instruction, an extended day program, counseling and education for parents, in-service training for staff, and modification of instructional organization for children who could not profit from classroom teaching. We are happy to report that federal funding for the continuation and expansion of the program has been approved and, again, will be made available through the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

Mrs. Janet Klineman, coordinator of the program for multiply-handicapped blind children, reinforces Bill Bailey's operation of the Audio Flash Card Reader. This device enables a child with limited braille skills to improve reading comprehension and language expression with the use of the auditory sense.

Mrs. Delores Peabody, specialist in the education of blind nursery school children, was one of the professional educational evaluators for the multiply-handicapped program. Mrs. Peabody is testing the effects of visual efficiency training which helped Jimmy Colantino utilize his residual vision more efficiently.

Child Development Center

Child Care Worker James Strothers provides stimulation for Bobby Polm's emotional and pre-academic development. Since Bobby's speech is limited, this relationship also provided opportunities for improving his language expression.

The identification and use of money is a basic task in everyday living. Mrs. Pearl Stevens, Primary Ungraded teacher, used this technique to make number concepts more meaningful for Ricky Rodgers.

Creative expression and the development of finger dexterity were objectives of the Extended Day Art Program. David Goodling is a child with minimal vision who enjoys color and the freedom the easel permits.

Many of our classroom activities were designed to broaden perspectives and encourage students to become involved, as well as to impart skills and help youngsters grow socially and ethically. Based on the theory that we learn to do by doing, this past year saw first graders putting arithmetic to use as they measured and counted while making apple sauce and ice-cream; second graders growing in appreciation and understanding of the cultures of other peoples as they ate with chopsticks or listened to Spanish music; third graders becoming amateur electricians as they learned about electric trains and telephones; and sixth graders concluding their South American study with a gay Latin American Festival, complete with ponchos, carrying morrocos, breaking piñatas and eating Latin American delicacies. Spanish phrases were not sufficiently descriptive when they told of the activity. They resorted to typical six grade Americanese — "Groovey!"

A policeman, a nurse, and a youth director visited our first graders during their study of community helpers. Fifth graders spent a day at the Allegheny County Exhibit Farm to enrich their classroom lessons in social studies. Panel discussions, a field trip to the Courthouse, attendance at a lecture series, sociological surveys, and the preparation of Pennsylvania Dutch foods were all part of our history and sociology classes at the high school level. We were also privileged to have had a visit by the Honorable William S. Moorhead, Congressman from the 14th Congressional District. Student awareness of current social problems was evident in the culmination of the eighth grade's study of narcotics and drug abuse in health class. The class invited two narcotics officers from the Pittsburgh Police Community Relations Division to speak to a student assembly. The "rap session" which followed provided much information and the answers to many questions.

Representative
William S. Moorhead
exchanges views
with student Randy Johns.

Slugger Teddy Crum, a third grader, poses with (left to right) Bob Prince, the "Voice of the Pirates," and Pirates Vernon Law, Bob Veale and Bruce Dal Canton during Dedication Ceremonies.

Wrestling, track, football, swimming, bowling, roller skating, pool, and skiing have been favorites of our boys and girls, and thanks to a local service club, they now will be able to better enjoy their modified baseball games. We have installed a baseball diamond made up of special base pads and base runners of interlocked rubber mats. These enable the children to run around the bases without assistance. Pirates Bob Veale, Bruce Dal Canton, and Vernon Law, along with Bob Prince, were on hand last September for the Opening Day ceremonies.

Any little boy would relish this special attention from their favorite baseball players, and blind children are no exception.

Music has always played an important part in the school's curriculum, but never a more active one than in 1969-1970. Our musicians put hard-learned theory to practice in many public concerts and competitive events. Our well-known girls' quartette, that has appeared publicly since their freshman year, became "We Seniors Four" this past year and gave 24 performances to groups ranging in numbers from 35 to 500, as well as appearing on WQED-TV last summer and fall. In addition to the "We Seniors Four" programs, 25 other performances by girls' and boys' barbershop quartets, small combos, the Concert Band, the High School Choir, the Stage Band and Mario's Certified Italian Band kept us swinging throughout the year. These performances included Christmas programs at the William Penn and Webster Hall Hotels, our own Spring Concert, the Garden Club Festival, and the Three Rivers Arts Festival.

Highlighting the busy music calendar for the year was the Annual Music Festival, an event which brings together students from the various residential schools serving the blind in the northeastern United States. Our school hosted the event this year, for the first time in the 14-year history of the Festival.

Nearly 200 students from the participating schools were our week-end guests, combining practice sessions and choral rehearsals with a jazz workshop, a banquet, and a dance. The weekend gave our choir members the experience of entertaining and acting as hosts and hostesses as they prepared refreshments in home economics class, favors in Arts and Crafts, stationery kits for out-of-town faculty in typing classes, and busily prepared the dorms for the arriving students by making beds, etc. Culminating the weekend of fun and music was the Fourteenth Annual Music Festival Concert which 800 friends of the school and interested public attended. We take this opportunity to thank the First Baptist Church of Pittsburgh for providing the setting for this momentous concert.

IN GRATITUDE

For the past 17 years, Dr. Murray F. McCaslin has served unselfishly as the school's Ophthalmologist. He has given faithful care and attention, taking time out of an extremely busy schedule, to guard our youngsters against further loss of sight. We shall always consider Dr. McCaslin our school Ophthalmologist "Emeritus." In noting our appreciation of the great contribution he has made to our work through his long years of devotion to our boys and girls, we wish him happiness and good health at the time of his retirement from "active service" to our students.

When children are deprived of the sense of sight the process of helping them to develop mentally is complex. Such children must be under the guidance of those who possess the highest teaching talent and skill. We are fortunate in having an excellent faculty and staff to provide our youngsters with the finest, most progressive educational foundation. We are grateful for the unfailing support we have received from all members of the staff this past year — a year when we faced difficult problems brought about through change and growth.

In addition there has been, as usual, the unfailing support of our directors, corporators, volunteers, and friends who helped to make 1969-1970 a year of great significance.

With sound planning, the school will continue to grow in stature and service to meet the changing needs of our times and to afford the blind children of western Pennsylvania the vital educational opportunities they so rightly deserve.

Respectfully submitted,

Alton G. Kloss

Alton G. Kloss
Superintendent

Health Center

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Major consideration is given to the development of the whole child and to provide for the maximum welfare of our students, the school relies on comprehensive health services to buttress the efforts of our education program. Some of the fine people who give so unselfishly of their time and energies to guard our children's health are those pictured here.

PHOTO 1 — Mr. Thomas Campeau, Director of Physical Therapy at Children's Hospital, provided physical therapy sessions on a regular four day per week basis during the past school year to 20 students with orthopedic problems. In addition to providing prescription therapy, the therapist works with pupils who have postural problems and makes recommendations to our Physical Education Department so that follow up exercises may be given in class.

PHOTO 2 — Dr. Donald L. Levine, School Dentist, visits the School's fully equipped dental clinic on a weekly basis. Over the course of each term he examines all students and makes recommendations for corrective dentistry. Students with extensive dental problems, including the need for orthodontia, are referred with parental permission to University of Pittsburgh Dental School.

PHOTO 3 — Our school Health Center continues to function with great efficiency under the direction of Dr. Harry K. Gillespie, our school Physician. Dr. Gillespie gives faithful care and attention to our youngsters' health and is responsible for annual examinations, administering the Tuberculin Test, handling minor accidents and illnesses, and making student referrals when the situation merits additional attention.

PHOTO 4 — The Health Center operates smoothly and efficiently under the supervision of Mrs. Marion Boden, Head Nurse, (pictured) and her assistant, Mrs. Beatrice Alter. "Nurse Boden" is loved by one and all in spite of her inoculations and doses of medicine.

PHOTO 5 — Since the ability to hear well is crucial for blind children for communicative and mobility purposes, the school, through Eye and Ear Hospital, provides for complete audiologic services. Miss Laura Lumm of the Audiology Department at Eye and Ear is shown screening a student. If any student fails the initial screening, a referral for further testing and recommendations is made.

PHOTO 6 — Dr. David A. Hiles, Chief of Ophthalmology at Children's Hospital and Director of the Pediatric Ophthalmology Clinic of the University of Pittsburgh's School of Medicine, is the school Ophthalmologist. In an effort to save or improve the sight of those students with residual vision, annual examinations are given. Some of our students are then referred to the Falk Low Vision Aid Clinic to explore the possibility of using refractive lenses.

PHOTO 7 — Seventeen students attending the School have speech problems requiring therapy. Mr. Larry Bloom of the Speech Department at Children's Hospital heads up a speech therapy program which makes every effort to improve the student's speaking ability.

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Senior Class of 1970

OFFICERS

John Perseo
President

Sherrie Marcase
Secretary

Judy Fish
Vice President

Patricia Weyrauch
Treasurer

LINDA ANN AUGUSTIN
General
Lock Club, 1966-70;
Concert Choir, 1967-70;
Glee Club, 1966-67;
Quartette, 1967-68;
Swimming Team, 1967-70;
Honor Role - one quarter.

JERRY LYNN BERRIER
Academic
Key Club, 1966-70;
Ham Radio Club, 1966-69;
Concert Band, 1966-69;
Dance Band, 1966-69;
Wrestling Team, 1968-69;
Honor Roll - four quarters.

DENNIS JOHN BLAIR
Academic
Key Club, 1966-70;
Treasurer, 1968-69;
President, 1969-70;
Drama Club, 1966-70;
Concert Choir, 1966-70;
Wrestling Team, 1968-69;
Track Team, 1968-70;
ILLUMINATOR, 1967-70;
Honor Roll - seven quarters.

CLASS OF 1970

COLORS: Purple and gold

FLOWER: Lilac

MOTTO: "Life begins at '70."

GEORGANNA CADDY
Business Education
Lock Club, 1966-70;
Drama Club, 1966-70;
Glee Club, 1966-68;
Cheerleader, 1966-70;
Co-Captain, 1969-70;
Track Team, 1966-70;
Swimming Team, 1966-69;
Bowling Team, 1966-69;
ILLUMINATOR, 1969-70;
Oakland Kiwanis Merit Award, 1967-68.

SUSAN LORRAINE ETTERS
General
Lock Club, 1966-70;
Drama Club, 1966-67;
Glee Club, 1966-68.

JUDITH LYNN FISH

Business Education
Class Vice President, 1968-70;
Lock Club, 1966-70;
Secretary, 1967-69;
President, 1969-70;
Drama Club, 1968-69;
Concert Band, 1966-70;
Concert Choir, 1966-70;
Cheerleader, 1968-70;
Track Team, 1966-67;
Swimming Team, 1966-67;
Bowling Team, 1966-68;
ILLUMINATOR, 1968-70;
Honor Roll - six quarters.

LINDA ANN FISHER

Business Education
Lock Club, 1966-70;
Concert Band, 1966-70;
Concert Choir, 1968-70;
Glee Club, 1966-67.

DOUGLASS MC CLARAN FITZSIMMONS
Academic
Key Club, 1968-70;
Secretary, 1969-70;
Honor roll - eight quarters;
Valedictorian.

ESTHER DARLENE FOLCKEMER

Industrial

Lock Club, 1966-70;
Assistant Secretary, 1969-70;
Aquatics Club, 1966-68;
Glee Club, 1966-68;
Cheerleader Alternate, 1968-69;
Track Team, 1966-67;
Swimming Team, 1966-69;
Bowling Team, 1966-70;
ILLUMINATOR, 1969-70.

PATRICIA DARLENE FUNK

Business Education

Lock Club, 1966-70;
Drama Club, 1966-70;
Concert Band, 1966-70;
Concert Choir, 1966-70;
Quartette, 1966-70;
Cheerleader, 1968-70;
Bowling Team, 1966-68.

MARY LOUISE GUNTRUM

Lock Club, 1966-70;
Physical Fitness Club, 1967-70;
Glee Club, 1967-68;
Cheerleader Manager, 1969-70;
Swimming Team Manager, 1968-69.

JEANNE MARIE KAUFMAN

Business Education

Lock Club, 1966-70;
Drama Club, 1969-70;
Concert Choir, 1966-70;
Quartette, 1965-70;
Trio, 1967-69;
Swimming Team, 1967-68;
Bowling Team, 1966-67.

DANNY JOSEPH KEYS

Industrial

Key Club, 1966-70;
Vice President, 1969-70;
Drama Club, 1966-68;
Ham Radio Club, 1968-70;
Honor Roll - three quarters.

NANETTE LEMLEY
Business Education
Lock Club, 1966-70;
Concert Choir, 1966-70;
Quartette, 1965-70;
Track Team, 1966-67;
ILLUMINATOR, 1969-70;
Honor Roll - four quarters.

MARY MARGARET LEYDIG
General
Lock Club, 1966-70;
Drama Club, 1966-70;
Concert Band, 1965-70;
Concert Choir, 1966-70;
Quartette, 1966-68;
Bowling Team, 1969-70.

SHERRIE LYNN MARCASE
General
Class Secretary, 1968-70;
Lock Club, 1968-70;
Lock Cluber of the Year, 1969-70;
Concert Band, 1968-70;
Concert Choir, 1968-70;
Cheerleader, 1968-70;
ILLUMINATOR, 1969-70;
Honor Roll - three quarters.

RAYMOND MONTILEONE

Key Club, 1966-70;
Concert Band, 1966-70;
Dance Band, 1966-70;
Concert Choir, 1966-70;
Wrestling Team, 1967-70.

DAVID DEAN PAUCH

Key Club, 1966-70;
Concert Band, 1966-70;
Concert Choir, 1966-67.

JOHN ANTHONY PERSEO
Academic
Class President, 1968-70;
Lock Club, 1966-70;
Secretary, 1968-69;
Aquatics Club, 1966-68;
Concert Band, 1966-70;
Dance Band, 1966-70;
Concert Choir, 1966-67;
Wrestling Team, 1966-70,
Captain, 1968-70;
Outstanding Wrestler Award, 1968-69;
Track Team, 1966-70;
Outstanding Athlete Award, 1968-69;
ILLUMINATOR, 1967-68;
Honor Roll - eight quarters.

ROBERT RAY SANTO
Industrial
Key Club, 1966-70;
Drama Club, 1966-67;
Concert Band, 1965-70;
Dance Band, 1968-70;
Concert Choir, 1966-70.

CYNTHIA MAE TAYLOR
Academic
Lock Club, 1966-70;
Lock Club Model, 1968-70;
Drama Club, 1967-68;
Physical Fitness Club, 1966-67;
Chess Club, 1969-70;
Concert Band, 1965-70;
Concert Choir, 1965-70;
Quartette, 1965-70;
Cheerleader, 1966-68, 1969-70;
Track Team, 1965-67;
Swimming Team, 1964-68;
Bowling Team, 1966-67;
Girl's Athletic Award, 1968-69;
Oakland Kiwanis Merit Award, 1968-69;
Oakland Kiwanis Good Citizenship Award, 1969-70;
ILLUMINATOR, 1968-70.

DEBRA JEAN TROUTMAN

Lock Club, 1966-70.

PATRICIA ANNE WEYRAUCH
General
Class Treasurer, 1968-70;
Lock Club, 1966-70;
Treasurer, 1968-69;
Vice President, 1969-70;
Drama Club, 1967-70;
Bowling Team, 1966-70.

Eighth Grade Graduation

Front Row (left to right): R. Doersch, P. Sukits, G. Madison, J. Rowley, K. Harris, C. Aul, B. Barton. Second Row: C. Thomas, J. Wiseman, L. Wiseman, M. Grasak, T. Stang, S. Robertson, D. Burzese. Third Row: Miss Robertson, A. Speelman, L. Raducz, J. Sersen, M. Rupert, R. Coville, E. Goldfon. Fourth Row: Mr. Ozimek, J. Musto, M. Hazel, F. Mazutis, D. Popoleo, M. Watson, V. Alverson.

Awards Day

JUNE 12, 1970

DAPPER DAN SPORTS AWARDS

Boys' Track Award

Awarded to the winners in each of the boys' physical education classes for competitive intramural track events:

Junior—
Randy Wright, Jim Bratcher

Intermediate—
David Boyer, Delbert Rankin

High School—
Joe Perseo, William Dorsey

Boys' Swimming Award

Awarded to the winners in each of the boys' physical education classes for competitive intramural swimming events:

Junior—
Bobby Kennedy, Ed Friedenberger

Intermediate—
Frank Cannone, Jeff Greenlee

High School—
John Perseo, Danny Keys

Outstanding Wrestler Award

John Perseo

Boy's Athletic Trophy

Awarded to the boy who accumulated the most points in track, wrestling, swimming, and the decathlon:

John Perseo

Girls' Swimming Award

Awarded to the winners in each of the girls' physical education classes for competitive intramural swimming events:

Third, Fourth, and Fifth Grades—
Brenda Loughrey, Sherri Martz

Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Grades—
Susan Ziegler, Anna Rose Speelman

High School—
Judy Fish, Cindy Taylor

Girls' Track Award

Awarded to the winners in each of the girls' physical education classes for competitive intramural track events:

Third, Fourth and Fifth Grades—
Susan Johnson, Sherri Martz

Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Grades—
Yvonne Davis, Anna Rose Speelman

High School—
Judy Fish, Cindy Taylor

Girls' Bowling Award

Awarded to the girls with the highest season average:

Third, Fourth, and Fifth Grades—
Susan Johnson, Sherri Martz

Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Grades—
Janice Miller, Terri Claar

High School—
Mary Margaret Leydig, Pat Weyrauch

Girl's Athletic Trophy

Awarded to a high school girl for outstanding achievement in both competitive sports and intramural events:

Judith Fish

American Legion Award

Awarded to the eighth grade boy and girl who, according to the evaluation of a committee of staff members, deserve recognition based upon the criteria designed by the Legion, specifically: honor, courage, leadership, and scholarship:

Cynthia Thomas, Terry Stang

Leonard C. Staisey Citizenship Award

Awarded to the girls and boys who, according to the judgement of the citizenship committee, are commendable citizens:

Douglass Fitzsimmons, Cindy Taylor
Jerry Berrier, Sherrie Marcase

Robert Buchsbaum Award

Awarded to the student who has indicated ability and talent and has displayed a conscientious effort in the playing of an instrument for popular entertainment. This award is presented in memory of Robert Buchsbaum, a former student:

Frank Cannone

Mary I. Waldron Award – Alumni

Awarded to the student who has made the most progress in the use of braille music:

Brenda Loughrey

W. L. Mayer Award – Alumni

Awarded to the high school student showing the greatest application and improvement in the music department:

Gilbert Busch

D.A.R. History Award

Awarded to the two eighth grade students who did the best work in history during the year:

Greg Madison, Virginia Alverson

Max Rogal Memorial Award

Presented to all eighth grade and senior high school graduates.

Abacus Contest Award

Awarded for proficiency in operating the Cranmer Abacus:

Sixth Grade–
Janice Miller
Honorable Mention–
Korene Stebler, Randy Jo Wright

Seventh Grade–
Brenda Mueller, Debby Miller
Honorable Mention–
Mary Winiarczyk

Eighth Grade–
Anna Rose Speelman, Debby Miller
Honorable Mention–
Lexi Raducz, Mark Grasak

High School–
Barbara Taylor
Honorable Mention–
Eileen Greenlee, Lisa Walls,
Debra Hoover

Good Posture Award

Awarded to the high school students who, according to the judgment of a committee of staff members, are deserving of citation for good posture:

Totally Blind Girl's Award–
Nanette Lemley
Honorable Mention–
Millie Shouse, Judy Fish

Partially Sighted Boy's Award–
Jeff Turner
Honorable Mention–
Frank Cannone

Partially Sighted Girl's Award–
Helen Vidunas

Thomas S. McAloney Award – Alumni

Awarded to the student who has demonstrated a depth of personal courage, a cheerful attitude and a commendable ability to adjust to recent blindness:

Mildred Shouse

Alton G. Kloss Spelling Award

Awarded to the students who were first in the annual spelling contest:

Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Grades–
Cathy Harris
High School–
Jeanne Kaufman

Oakland Kiwanis Club Activity Award

Awarded to the high school boy and girl who earned the highest number of merits. Merits are awarded for informal and non-classroom activities:

Karen Johnson, Edward Schmidt

Typing Certification

Linda Bagnato*
Jackie Hainsey*
Eileen Greenlee*
Debbie Folckemer*
Delbert Rankin*
Debbie Hoover**
Patty Nickel**
Lisa Walls**
Mary McCartney**
Denise McQuillan**
Helen Vidunas**
Felix Colaizzo**
Gilbert Busch+
Karen Johnson+
Randy Johns+
Douglass Fitzsimmons+
Jerry Berrier+
Patty Funk+
Linda Fisher+
John Perseo+
Jeanne Kaufman++
Judith Fish++
Georganna Caddy++
Nanette Lemley++
Cindy Taylor+++

*30 wpm +50 wpm

**40 wpm ++60 wpm

+++70 wpm

Staff and Faculty

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Alton G. Kloss, Ed.D., *Superintendent*
Regis F. Ferson, Ph.D., *Assistant Superintendent and Psychologist*
Margaret Esch, M.A., *Academic Principal*
Robert K. Hughes, M.A., *Administrative Assistant and Director of Admissions*
Kathryn Wassermann, M.S., *Social Worker*

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Darlene Maier, B.A., *Public Relations Director*
Evelyn F. Lerach, *Assistant Public Relations Director*

OFFICE STAFF

Virginia S. Kloss, B.A., *Purchasing Agent and Business Officer*
Dorothy W. Price, B.S., *Administrative Secretary and Office Manager*
Alicia B. King, *Secretary to Assistant Superintendent*
Kathleen A. Hassan, *Secretary to Principal*
Maureen Welsh, *Secretary to Administrative Assistant*
Mary Hughes, *Office Assistant*
Marietta Massey, *Accountant*
Juanita P. Heinemann, *Receptionist*
Kathryn Jeffers, *Evening Receptionist*

HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS

Mario Stoffiere, *Food Manager*
Martha Selchan, *Executive Housekeeper*
Edith Daniels, *Linen Supervisor*

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Eugene M. Kimmick, *Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds*
William E. Hoover, A.I.A., *School Architect Consultant*

HEALTH SERVICES

Harry K. Gillespie, M.D., *Physician*
David A. Hiles, M.D., *Ophthalmologist*
Donald L. Levine, D.D.S., *Dental Surgeon*
Haskell Hollander, M.S.W., *Psychiatric Social Worker*
Marion Boden, R.N., *School Nurse*
Beatrice S. Alter, R.N., *Assistant Nurse*

CHARLES L. TAYLOR LIBRARY

Samuel J. DePiero, M.L.S., *Librarian*
Gladys Schnick, *Clerk*

CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Janet Klineman, M.Ed.

FACULTY

Mildred Affleck, M.L.
Business Education
Emily Baxter, M.Ed.
Spanish, Techniques of Daily Living
Geraldine Caputo, B.S.
Health, Girls' Physical Education
Jeanne Celli, B.S.
Sixth Grade
Joan Cimino, M.Mus.Ed.
Piano, Organ, Choral
Genevieve Connell, B.S.
High School Ungraded
William F. Connelly
Piano Tuning
Elizabeth R. DePiero, M.A.
Elementary Ungraded
Samuel J. DePiero, M.L.S.
Librarian, Mathematics
Ann Marie Donahoe, M.Ed.
Second Grade
Norma K. Duda, M.Ed.
Third Grade
Margaret Durcan, Litt.M.
English, Social Studies, Speech Correction
Anthony H. Evancic, M.S.
Languages, Mathematics
Regis F. Ferson, Ph.D.
Human Relations, Vocational Guidance
Mary Lou Foster, B.S.
Business Education
Thomas E. Greaser, B.S.
Health, Boys' Physical Education, Modern Physical Science, Biology
Walter Iacobucci, M.Mus.Ed.
Instruments, Band
Irene Jewett, B.S.
First Grade
James Kolesar, B.S.
Electrical Shop
Michael J. Kostie
Braille, Vending Stand Training, Boys' Handcrafts
Suzanne Kurtz, M.Ed.
Fifth Grade
Samuel B. McCleary, M.S.
Woodwork, Household Mechanics
Michael Malley, A.B.
English
Ramona M. Manning, B.S.
Pre-School

(FACULTY continued)

Ruth Milz, B.S.
Home Economics
Charles A. Nessler
Piano Tuning
John Okolowicz
Sheet Metal, Power Mechanics
Edward P. Ozimek, B.S.
Eighth Grade
Esther M. Robertson, B.S.
Intermediate Ungraded
Hazel Rometo
Pre-School
Janet Simon, M.Ed.
Seventh Grade
Margaret A. Simpson
Large Type
Pearl Stevens, M.Ed.
Primary Ungraded
Nick Summa, B.S.
Piano, Choral, Guitar
Vicki Thuot, B.S.
Child Development Specialist
Marcella Vandenbord, M.Ed.
Fourth Grade
Joseph C. Wassermann, M.Ed.
Mathematics, Sociology, History
Ruth M. Watts, B.S.
Handcrafts, Sewing,
Girls' Industrial Arts
Richard L. Welsh, M.A.
Orientation, Mobility

HOUSEPARENTS, SUPERVISORS, AND RECREATION PERSONNEL

Charles Boalo, *Recreation Director*
Lucetta Berndt
Marguerite Bosar
Isa Chester
Martha Collier
Dorothea Compton
Don Compton
Joella Cooley
Hettie English
Matilda Erath
William Erath
Julia Finney
Helen Firrell
Robert Firrell
Violet Nicholson
Anna Rager
Merle Rager
Mae Wallace
Hugh Wallace

TEACHER'S AIDES

Charles Boalo, Grace Dean, Helen Freed,
Mary Ann Gray, Philagonas Keberly,
Anne McAuley, Eileen Sonner

CHILD CARE WORKERS

Barbara Hanley, Sheridan Glenn,
Donna Rogoff, James Strothers

Comparing "notes" for an after-school rallye are administration, faculty and staff members who belong to the WPSBC Bicycle Club.

Catalog

NAME/TOWN/COUNTY

Adams, Wanda/Holsopple/*Somerset*
Adams, Warren/Canonsburg/*Washington*
Alverson, Virginia/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Augustin, Linda/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Aul, Cynthia/Indiana/*Indiana*
Bagnato, Linda/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Bailey, William/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Barton, Barbara/Monongahela/*Washington*
Bauer, Terral/Clairon/*Clarion*
Berrier, Jerry/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Blair, Dennis/Erie/*Erie*
Blair, Roger/Erie/*Erie*
Boehm, Robert/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Bolt, Raymond/Arnold/*Westmoreland*
Bowen, Terri/Erie/*Erie*
Bower, Kenneth/Lock Haven/*Clinton*
Boyer, David/Grove City/*Mercer*
Bratcher, James/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Bright, Cheryl/Latrobe/*Westmoreland*
Britzki, John/McKees Rocks/*Allegheny*
Brown, Joyce/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Burdick, Craig/Titusville/*Crawford*
Burzese, David/Aliquippa/*Beaver*
Busch, Gilbert/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Butler, Margaret/Manor/*Westmoreland*
Caddy, Georganna/Harrisburg/*Somerset*
Cannone, Frank/Sharon/*Mercer*
Capouellez, Randy/Altoona/*Blair*
Claar, Terri/Claysburg/*Blair*
Colaizzo, Felix/Houston/*Washington*
Colantino, Christian/Greensburg/*Westmoreland*
Colantino, James/Greensburg/*Westmoreland*
Coville, Rock/Brownfield/*Fayette*
Cramer, James/Mt. Pleasant/*Westmoreland*
Criner, Christopher/Jeannette/*Westmoreland*
Crosby, Richard/Greensburg/*Westmoreland*
Crum, Theodore/Johnstown/*Cambria*
Czarnecki, David/Burgettstown/*Washington*
Daley, Michael/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Daugherty, David/Strattanville/*Clarion*
Davis, Yvonne/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
DeBartolome, Anthony/Hollidaysburg/*Blair*
Doersch, Robert/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Dorsey, William/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Etters, Susan/Glenwillard/*Allegheny*
Fish, Judith/Springdale/*Allegheny*
Fisher, Linda/Glenshaw/*Allegheny*
Fitzsimmons, Douglass/Butler/*Butler*
Folckemer, Debra/Belsano/*Cambria*
Folckemer, Esther/Belsano/*Cambria*
Franklin, Bonnie/Big Run/*Jefferson*
Frantz, William/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Friedenberger, Edward/Altoona/*Blair*
Funk, Patricia/Washington/*Washington*
Galbraith, Ronald/Brookville/*Jefferson*
Gardner, Karen/Sewickley/*Allegheny*
Gentile, Ronald/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Goldfon, Ellen/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Gordon, Peter/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Grant, Catherine/Ellwood City/*Lawrence*
Grasak, Mark/Coraopolis/*Allegheny*
Greenlee, Eileen/Rochester Mills/*Indiana*
Greenlee, Jeffrey/Rochester Mills/*Indiana*
Guntrum, Mary/Grove City/*Mercer*
Hainsey, Jacqueline/Clearfield/*Clearfield*
Haney, Pauline/Rochester/*Beaver*
Harcarik, John/North Charleroi/*Washington*
Harkins, Diann/West Mifflin/*Allegheny*
Harris, Kathleen/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Harris, Shannon/Meadville/*Crawford*
Harris, Terry/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Hayes, Mary Carla/McMurray/*Washington*
Hazel, Mark/McKees Rocks/*Allegheny*
Heaney, Terrance/New Castle/*Lawrence*
Hesley, Thomas/Bellwood/*Blair*
Hockenberry, Larry/Pleasant Gap/*Centre*
Hollabaugh, Steve/Saegerstown/*Crawford*
Homme, James/Scenery Hill/*Washington*
Hoover, Debra/Karthaus/*Centre*
Hoover, Peggy/Karthaus/*Centre*
Hughes, Robert/Smithton/*Westmoreland*
Irvine, Karen/Greenville/*Mercer*
Jackman, Camillo/Monongahela/*Washington*
Jackson, Timothy/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Johns, Randy/Rector/*Westmoreland*
Johnson, Karen/DuBois/*Clearfield*
Johnson, Susan/DuBois/*Clearfield*
Joncas, Wayne/Corry/*Erie*
Jurcevich, Daniel/DuBois/*Clearfield*
Kane, Elizabeth/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Kane, Judy/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Kauffman, James/Washington/*Washington*
Kaufman, Jeanne/Parker/*Clarion*
Keating, Rosalie/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Kelly, Judy/Hustontown/*Fulton*
Kennedy, Robert/Mt. Morris/*Greene*
Keys, Danny/Jefferson/*Greene*
Landfried, Joseph/Ambridge/*Beaver*
Lang, Conrad/Saxonburg/*Butler*
Larson, Carl/Chicora/*Butler*
Laslavic, Kathleen/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Lemley, Nanette/Hickory/*Washington*
Leydig, Mary Margaret/Hyndman/*Bedford*
Long, Arthur/Coulter/*Allegheny*
Loughner, Marcy/Pitcairn/*Allegheny*
Loughrey, Brenda/Kittanning/*Armstrong*
Lowe, Jeanne/Youngwood/*Westmoreland*
Madison, Gregory/Meadville/*Crawford*
Mahoney, Lawrence/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Majesky, Jody/Marianna/*Washington*
Marcase, Sherrie/Monongahela/*Washington*
Martin, Christopher/Dawson/*Fayette*
Martz, Sherri/Brookville/*Jefferson*
Mazutis, Frank/Waynesburg/*Washington*
McCartney, Kathy/Washington/*Washington*
McCartney, Mary/Rice's Landing/*Greene*
McMurdy, Raymond/Beaver Falls/*Beaver*
McQuillan, Denise/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
McShea, Joseph/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Meckler, Richard/Sharpsville/*Mercer*
Meetze, Carl/Irwin/*Westmoreland*
Meetze, Carla/Irwin/*Westmoreland*
Mellon, Paul/Freeport/*Armstrong*
Meyers, Keith/Irwin/*Westmoreland*

Miller, Debra/Johnstown/*Cambria*
Miller, Frederick/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Miller, Janice/Hastings/*Cambria*
Miller, Larry/Johnstown/*Cambria*
Montileone, Raymond/Millvale/*Allegheny*
Morris, Harold/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Morrow, Cynthia/Jeannette/*Westmoreland*
Mueller, Brenda/Sheffield/*Warren*
Murphy, Zetta/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Muschick, Margaret/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Musto, James/East Carnegie/*Allegheny*
Neiman, Nancy/Latrobe/*Westmoreland*
Nicholson, Rodney/Reynoldsville/*Clearfield*
Nickel, Patricia/Glenshaw/*Allegheny*
Parker, Richard/Midland Heights/*Beaver*
Pauch, David/Home/*Indiana*
Paul, Dale/Meyersdale/*Somerset*
Peddicord, James/Irwin/*Westmoreland*
Perseo, John/Greenville/*Mercer*
Perseo, Joseph/Greenville/*Mercer*
Pierce, Susan/Canonsburg/*Washington*
Piscar, Gina/Luxor/*Westmoreland*
Planiczka, Thomas/Smithfield/*Fayette*
Polm, Kenneth/Kennerdale/*Venango*
Popoleo, David/West Mifflin/*Allegheny*
Raducz, Lois/Butler/*Butler*
Rankin, Delbert/Grove City/*Mercer*
Reese, Evan/Spruce Creek/*Blair*
Reighard, David/Martinsburg/*Blair*
Rhoades, Susan/Freeport/*Armstrong*
Rhoads, Eric/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Riggs, Leslie/Prosperity/*Greene*
Ritchey, Byrle/Claysburg/*Blair*
Robertson, Sandra/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Rodgers, Ricky/Centerville/*Crawford*
Ronk, Barbara/Spring Mills/*Centre*
Rowland, Douglas/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Rowley, John/Cheswick/*Allegheny*
Rudnicki, Laura/Rochester/*Beaver*
Rupert, Michael/Huntingdon/*Huntingdon*
Santo, Robert/Roscoe/*Washington*
Schillinger, Gary/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Schindler, Gary/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Schmidt, Edward/Allison Park/*Allegheny*
Schmidt, Marcus/Monroeville/*Allegheny*
Schmitt, Michael/Turtle Creek/*Allegheny*
Scott, Gregory/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Sersen, John/Donora/*Washington*
Shouse, Mildred/Freedom/*Beaver*
Smith, Yvonne/Farrell/*Mercer*
Speelman, Anna/Beaver Falls/*Beaver*
Spencer, Gloria/Monessen/*Westmoreland*
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Stoll, Robert/Baden/*Beaver*
Sukits, Patricia/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Sullivan, Regis/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Taylor, Barbara/Brockway/*Jefferson*
Taylor, Cindy/Claysville/*Washington*
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Tominello, Dina/Monroeville/*Allegheny*
Troutman, Debra/Verona/*Allegheny*
Turner, Jeffrey/Erie/*Erie*
Vidunas, Helen/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Vuksanovich, Mary/Slovan/*Washington*
Wagner, Timothy/Shippenville/*Clarion*
Wagoner, Samuel/East Springfield/*Erie*
Walls, Elisa/Hollidaysburg/*Blair*
Watson, Michael/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Weaver, Keith/Freedom/*Blair*
Weems, Terry/Homestead/*Allegheny*
Weyrauch, Patricia/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Wineland, Catherine/Altoona/*Blair*
Winiarczyk, Mary/St. Marys/*Elk*
Wiseman, James/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Wiseman, Lawrence/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*
Wright, Randy/Burgettstown/*Washington*
Ziegler, Susan/Pittsburgh/*Allegheny*

Bequest Form

For those who wish to make bequests to the school, we suggest the following form:

" I give, devise and bequeath unto the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children, located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the sum of $ to be used as may be determined by the Board of Directors of said School for the general purpose of said School."

Your attorney can assist you in incorporating this bequest in your Will or in adding such bequest to your present Will.

It is becoming increasingly popular to leave bequests through life insurance policies which are paid direct to the institution and do not go through one's estate. The Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children could be named as beneficiary under an insurance policy or the policy could be absolutely assigned to the school, as might be desired. For further information on this subject, we refer you to your insurance counselor.

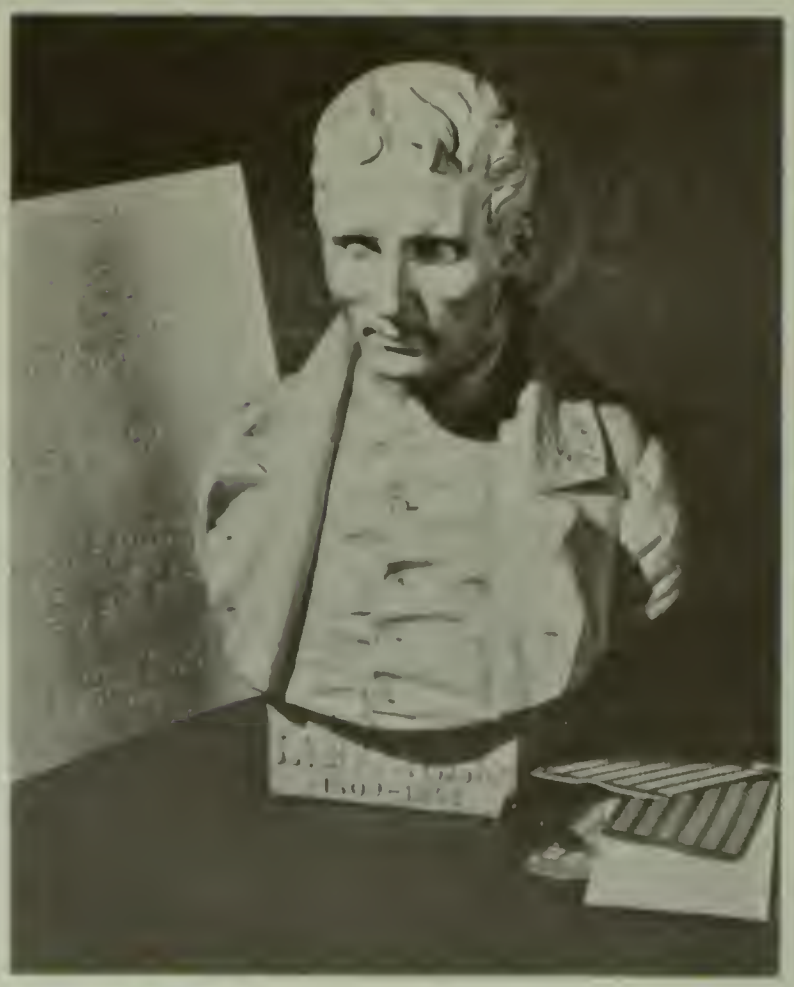
Memorial Fund Cards

In recent years the custom of sending flowers to mark a bereavement has given way to that of honoring the deceased through a memorial gift to a favorite charity.

The School for Blind Children has been the recipient of a number of such gifts. However, we have learned that many people who would have liked to make a memorial contribution have not done so because they were unsure of the procedure. For the convenience of those who wish to express their sympathy by such means, we have designed a card which tells the bereaved family, simply and with good taste, that a gift has been made to the school in memory of the deceased.

These cards are mailed through the office of Public Relations.

We can think of no higher tribute to a good life than that it should be carried forward to illuminate the lives of boys and girls whose only light can come through learning.



Bequests

Louis J. Aaron
Abraham Adelman
Irma N. Agnew
Rose C. McHugh Anderson
Charles Arbuthnot
Mary E. Armstrong
Joseph A. Aronson
Emma L. Arthurs
William T. Aurentz
Morris Baer
Utilles Baird
May Bayard
Susan Bayard
William G. Bechman
Thompson Bell
J. D. Bernd
Julius S. Bickert
Emma W. Bihler
Mary M. Bindley
Myra J. Binsley
Susanna Bischel
Boggs & Buhl Welfare Assoc.
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Conrad H. Bokerman
George P. Bollman
Henry W. Borntraeger
Louis Bowers
Dean A. Boyd
Callie A. Bragdon
Elizabeth J. Brandon
Mary E. Bridges
Charles A. Brooks
Shirley Budke
Henry Buhl
Emma V. Bulger
Julia Carson
Marie E. Clark
Ella May Clarke
Helen Clarke
Carrie Cohen
Charlotte Collison
Katherine Hunter Conroy
Sara J. Craig
Harvey Deaktor
Lora M. Deane
Harry D. Delow
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A. J. DeRoy
Alice Devey
Sarah T. Dewsnapp
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For over half a century our school has been served faithfully and wisely by either Mr. William W. Blackburn, Past President of the Board of Directors, or his son, Mr. Frederick G. Blackburn, who succeeded his father as a member of the Board of Directors in 1932. Mr. Blackburn has given invaluable guidance to the financial affairs of the school, and it is with a deep sense of loss that we accept his resignation as Treasurer of the Board, a post he held for 32 years.

Financial Report

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The Board of Directors
Western Pennsylvania School
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We have examined the balance sheet of Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children as of June 30, 1970 and the related statements of income and expense and changes in fund balances for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In accordance with the practice of the school, no inventories or accrual of income from investments have been set up on the records. The amounts involved are not material.

In our opinion, such financial statements present fairly the financial position of Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children at June 30, 1970 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Main Lafrentz & Co.

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
August 21, 1970

Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children

BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 1970 AND 1969

ASSETS	1970	1969
SCHOOL OPERATING FUND		
Cash	$ 173,153.48	$ 271,470.63
Short-term securities, at cost which approximates market	150,000.00	100,000.00
Accounts receivable		
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, education and maintenance	219,020.63	188,728.19
Miscellaneous	1,034.09	692.54
	220,054.72	189,420.73
Due from Specific Purpose Funds	4,588.24	2,458.50
	547,796.44	563,349.86
GENERAL PURPOSE FUND		
Cash	136,194.67	41,768.17
Short-term securities, at cost which approximates market	200,000.00	450,000.00
Accounts receivable	1,873.76	1,851.00
Prepaid expenses	3,090.28	2,029.94
Advances to School Operating Fund	407,255.72	411,738.01
Due from Endowment Fund	111,867.56	
	860,281.99	907,387.12
SPECIFIC PURPOSE FUNDS		
Cash	16,875.98	20,695.30
Accounts receivable	1,233.20	1,515.43
Due from General Purpose Fund	137,516.15	115,263.16
Due from Endowment Fund	46,612.61	46,062.61
	202,237.94	183,536.50
ENDOWMENT FUND		
Investments		
Bonds (market value $990,931.52 and $787,774.13, respectively)	1,243,938.50	1,024,373.72
Stocks (market value $2,023,247.51 and $2,631,207.72, respectively)	2,086,962.40	2,187,980.01
Mortgage participations (market value $100,307.14 and $116,238.51, respectively)	142,529.34	144,531.56
Common Trust Funds – Pittsburgh National Bank	13,798.50	13,798.50
Real estate (net of depreciation)	245,779.71	121,726.38
Miscellaneous	3.00	2.00
Uninvested principal cash	2,104.24	10,060.45
	3,735,115.69	3,502,472.62
Dues from General Purpose Fund		12,743.40
	3,735,115.69	3,515,216.02
PLANT FUND		
Short-term securities, at cost which approximates market		100,000.00
Due from General Purpose Fund	100,000.00	175,000.00
Due from Endowment Fund	600,000.00	325,000.00
Property, plant, and equipment		
Land	150,000.00	150,000.00
Plant and equipment	3,401,907.11	3,395,730.35
Accumulated depreciation	1,649,493.01	1,555,661.43
	1,752,414.10	1,840,068.92
Construction in progress	23,029.87	
Library	35,000.00	35,000.00
Total property, plant, and equipment	1,960,443.97	2,025,068.92
Equipment, title held by Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, net of depreciation	33,211.12	36,130.83
	2,693,655.09	2,661,199.75
	$8,039,087.15*	$7,830,689.25*

* *Includes interfund accounts aggregating $1,407,840.28 at June 30, 1970 and $1,088,265.68 at June 30, 1969.*

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	1970	1969
SCHOOL OPERATING FUND		
Accounts payable	$ 13,492.34	$ 10,761.89
Accrued payroll and expenses and payroll deductions	104,972.79	84,162.23
Advances from General Purpose Fund	407,255.72	411,738.01
Deferred credit	22,075.59	56,687.73
	547,796.44	563,349.86
GENERAL PURPOSE FUND		
Accounts payable	6,241.84	1,077.44
Due to Specific Purpose Funds	137,516.15	115,263.16
Due to Endowment Fund		12,743.40
Due to Plant Fund	100,000.00	175,000.00
Fund balance	616,524.00	603,303.12
	860,281.99	907,387.12
SPECIFIC PURPOSE FUNDS		
Accounts payable	396.91	4,782.34
Due to School Operating Fund	4,588.24	2,458.50
Fund balances		
Students' Fund	5,760.20	4,639.42
Charles L. Taylor Printing Shop and Library Fund	8,493.82	7,716.51
Long Range Planning Fund	18,438.44	18,438.44
Other special purpose funds and contributions	164,560.33	145,501.29
	197,252.79	176,295.66
	202,237.94	183,536.50
ENDOWMENT FUND		
Due to General Purpose Fund	111,867.56	
Due to Specific Purpose Funds	46,612.61	46,062.61
Due to Plant Fund	600,000.00	325,000.00
Fund balance	2,976,635.52	3,144,153.41
	3,735,115.69	3,515,216.02
PLANT FUND		
Equity of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in equipment	33,211.12	36,130.83
Plant Replacement Fund	700,000.00	600,000.00
Fund balance	1,960,443.97	2,025,068.92
	2,660,443.97	2,625,068.92
	2,693,655.09	2,661,199.75
	$8,039,087.15*	$7,830,689.25*

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STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE, SCHOOL OPERATING FUND
YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1970 AND 1969

	1970		1969	
	Amount	Cost per capita	Amount	Cost per capita
Income				
State appropriation current year	$ 842,001.99		$ 714,918.63	
Pilot Projects for Visually Limited, Multiple Handicapped Children	46,581.15			
Summer school income	41,684.39		41,899.69	
Contributions				
Textbooks and instructional supplies	13,866.70		11,461.47	
Food			83.00	
Miscellaneous	5,440.24		12,052.07	
	949,574.47		780,414.86	
Expense				
Administration	152,647.74	$ 753.48	132,766.82	$ 642.91
Instructional	376,562.23	1,858.74	309,715.50	1,499.76
Care of students	82,567.95	407.56	70,467.45	341.23
Operation of plant	209,891.62	1,036.04	179,593.51	869.65
Fixed charges	168,865.42	833.54	160,086.40	775.20
Food services	175,503.66	866.30	150,239.15	727.52
Student body activities	2,726.78	13.46	3,305.75	16.01
Equipment replacements	6,093.81	30.08	14,760.40	71.48
	1,174,859.21	$5,799.20	1,020,934.98	$4,943.76
Excess of expense over income	$ 225,284.74		$ 240,520.12	
Average student enrollment	202.59		206.51	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DEFERRED CREDIT: The deferred credit represents the excess of the funds received from the state for the summer school program over the amount earned as of the year ended June 30, 1970.

INVESTMENTS: Investments are carried at cost or, in the case of securities received by bequest or contribution, at market or estimated values at dates of acquisition, less bond premiums amortized.

PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT: Property, plant, and equipment are shown at appraised values as of August 31, 1926, less depreciation from average date of installation; subsequently recorded additions are shown at cost, less depreciation from the first of the year following date of acquisition. The book value of the library represents the estimated investment in school and reference books. All assets are depreciated in the Plant Fund ($93,831.58) but only depreciation on land improvements, buildings, building improvements, and the sprinkler system ($72,658.83) are charged as an operating cost with an adjustment for such depreciation in the General Purpose Fund.

EQUIPMENT, TITLE HELD BY COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA: During the 1966-68 school years, the school received federal funds from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania which were to be used for the purchase of equipment under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965/Title I. The title to this property remains in the name of the state agency until the termination of its useful life. The carrying value of this equip-

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STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE, GENERAL PURPOSE FUND
YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1970 AND 1969

	1970	1969
Income		
Interest on bonds, notes, and mortgages	$ 72,521.99	$ 65,407.19
Dividends on stocks	70,461.92	65,715.63
Interest on temporary investments	37,437.99	32,570.60
Estates earnings prior to distribution	415.40	8,587.38
Income from endowments held by others	15,036.05	13,961.08
Net income of fund-raising activities	96,431.17	88,494.57
Other special purpose funds used for operating expenses	12,637.87	23,847.50
Miscellaneous		87.54
	304,942.39	298,671.49
Expense		
Agents' commission and expense	8,019.49	6,985.30
Amortization of bond premium	746.66	377.79
Real estate (net)	6,706.08	2,580.31
Miscellaneous	593.50	
	16,065.73	9,943.40
Excess of income over expense	$288,876.66	$288,728.09

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ment is to be reduced in the Plant Fund by a depreciation charge of 6-2/3% per year for an estimated life of 15 years.

BEQUESTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS: During the year ended June 30, 1970, the fund-raising activities reported bequests and contributions from all sources totaling $228,458.16. Contributions restricted either by the donor or by school policy to specific uses totaled $98,682.13, leaving a total amount of unrestricted contributions of $129,776.03. The total expense of the fund-raising activities amounted to $33,344.86, which was charged against the unrestricted contributions, leaving $96,431.17 in net unrestricted contributions available for operations and maintenance of the school.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1970

	School Operating Fund	General Purpose Fund
Balance, July 1, 1969, as previously reported		$603,303.12
Decline in market value of securities between date of decree and receipt, Faloon Estate		
Adjusted balance, July 1, 1969		603,303.12
Additions (deductions)		
Excess of income over expense		288,876.66
Bequests and contributions		
Transfer to Plant Replacement Fund		(100,000.00)
Income from restricted trust funds		
Proceeds from sale of station wagon		
Deposits for student activities		
Fixed assets acquired		(23,029.87)
Absorption of School Operating Fund deficit by General Purpose Fund	$225,284.74	(225,284.74)
	225,284.74	543,865.17
Deductions (additions)		
Blind necessities		
Funds used for operating expenses		
Payments for student activities		
Transfer charge for depreciation of land improvements, buildings, building improvements, and sprinkler system		(72,658.83)
Depreciation of equipment and automobiles		
Excess of expense over income	225,284.74	
Loss on sale of investments (net)		
	225,284.74	(72,658.83)
Balance, June 30, 1970	$ -0-	$616,524.00

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Specific Purpose Funds					
Students' Fund	Charles L. Taylor Printing Shop and Library Fund	Long Range Planning Fund	Other special purpose funds and contributions	Endowment Fund	Plant and Plant Replacement Funds
$ 4,639.42	$7,716.51	$18,438.44	$145,501.29	$3,144,153.41	$2,625,068.92
				32,433.76	
4,639.42	7,716.51	18,438.44	145,501.29	3,111,719.65	2,625,068.92
35.00			23,304.99	75,342.14	
					100,000.00
	1,370.11		9,653.67		
			1,095.00		
7,883.73					
			(5,161.06)		29,206.63
12,558.15	9,086.62	18,438.44	174,393.89	3,187,061.79	2,754,275.55
(401.71)	592.80		2,356.75		
			7,476.81		
7,199.66					
					72,658.83
					21,172.75
				210,426.27	
6,797.95	592.80		9,833.56	210,426.27	93,831.58
$ 5,760.20	$8,493.82	$18,438.44	$164,560.33	$2,976,635.52	$2,660,443.97

General Information

The Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children provides, room, board and educational facilities without charge to all blind children of the thirty-one counties of Western Pennsylvania. It admits visually handicapped youngsters between the ages of five and twenty-one without regard to race or religion. Independently owned and operated, the school derives its funds from the income of limited endowments, partial state support and the vitally necessary contributions from individuals and groups.

Located in the heart of Oakland, Pittsburgh's cultural center, the school has seven buildings on its campus. One of these buildings houses the lower school, consisting of nursery through third grade, so that the activities can be individualized and the problems of orientation, feeding, dressing and group play may be given particular attention.

The serious study of braille is introduced in first grade and is continued through the secondary program as the basic medium of instruction. The school's educational program meets the state's requirements, and its high school credits are accepted by colleges and universities throughout the country.

Techniques in daily living, mobility or travel training, home economics, creative and industrial arts, physical education, typewriting, and music are all offered as a part of each student's education. Equally important is the recreational program which offers a constructive outlet for leisure time.

In addition to the administrative officers and teaching staff, the school provides the services of an ophthalmologist, a medical doctor, a psychiatrist, a physical therapist, an audiologist, a speech pathologist, a dentist, two registered nurses, a recreation director, a director of social service, several psychologists and a vocational guidance counselor.

Visitors are welcome to tour the school. To arrange such a tour, write or call the office of Public Relations, 621-0100.